New frontiers

Fashion Trek '81 was held by the Fashion Arts students in the Hamilton Room last week. Design for the clothing was influenced by Canadian and American Indian costuming. First and second year students worked on the project. See Fashion Trek, Pg. 7

Surprise!

It came as a surprise to find that the pinball games were suddenly moved from in front of the Resource Centre to other areas of the college. SAC officials complained; college officials said they did it. See Relocation on Pg. 3

He scores

Niagara's hockey Knights beat Sheridan College Bruins in a 7-5 contest in which officiating and penalties played a major role. It was an exhibition game. The next game was to be Saturday, Jan. 24, against Mohawk College. See Sports on Pgs. 9, 10 and 11.

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Winter Wonder

Early morning frost clings to the branches of one of the many trees that decorate the campus. Such beauty is one of the few benefits from this bitterly cold season. (Photo by Runka)

College presidents meet Davis on mutual problems

Niagara College's president, Jacqueline Robarts, and James (Bud) McLaughlin, acting chairman of the Board of Governors, were to attend a meeting with presidents and chairmen of Ontario's 22 community colleges in Toronto last Friday and Saturday "for the purpose of a two-way discussion about concerns of colleges," Miss Robarts said.

Premier William Davis, treasurer Frank Miller and Bette Stephenson, minister of colleges and universities, were also to attend.

Before the meeting, Miss Robarts said important issues to be discussed would include community college admission policies which now allow a "first-come, first-served basis to anyone with a Grade 12 diploma."

Some students enter a program and find it is not what they want; others simply drop out of college and, because of the increasing number of high school students entering and wanting to enter college, "we feel the ministry should look at that (admission policies)," Miss Robarts said.

The issue of funding and the new funding mechanism for community colleges was also to be discussed.

Another area to be discussed was the growth of community colleges; larger colleges tend to grow larger drawing more students, while smaller colleges do not grow to their full capacity. There "should be a move to limit growth," Miss Robarts said.

The area of early childhood education was to be discussed because there is a "move afoot to have preparation of people who work in that area trained in high schools," Miss Robarts said. "But the majority of presidents and chairmen feel it (early childhood education) is well established in the community colleges."

Polytechnic education was to be discussed because some people favor the "Ryerson concept." An example of the creation of a polytechnic institution in this area would be if Niagara College, a middle sized college, joined Brock University, a small university, Miss Robarts said.

See Jackie pg. 8

Fire drill Jan. 28

A fire drill will be conducted Wednesday, Jan. 28, at 11 a.m. at Niagara College, the joint health and saftey committee for the college said in a memo to all staff and faculty.

Advance notice was given to instructors so that scheduling of tests and important laboratory work could be avoided on the day of the drill.

The memo, signed by Glen Brooks, chairman of the joint health and saftey committee, said the buildings must be completely evacuated and that adequate arrangements must be made for disabled persons. In case of inclement weather, the cafeteria will remain open.

The memo acknowledges that winter is not the most popular time of the year to have a fire drill, but it said fires have a greater chance of occurring during this season. It asks that

See Fire pg. 7

Remembering blizzard of '77

By LIZ PAYNE
Staff Writer

This week is the fourth anniversary of a day that left its mark on many at Niagara College. The infamous 1977 blizzard, which stranded about 600 people at Niagara College for most of the weekend, gave its survivors some interesting stories to tell, but if it happened again, would the same sense of panic occur, or would people react differently?

William Munroe, co-ordinator of the human relations program at Niagara College, said until the period of warmer weather last week, this winter was following many of the same patterns as the winter of 1977. Just before the blizzard that struck Friday, Jan. 28, "a lot of things that don't normally happen in the weather happened all at once." Given the combination of factors that caused the blizzard, it could happen any year.

This winter is missing just one factor to make another big blizzard possible, Mr. Munroe said. That factor is the high wind, caused when the jet stream swung much further south than normal. In the winter of 1977 and this winter there was accumulation of snow caused by a long period of cold weather, cold as far south as Florida freezing the citrus crop, and cold Arctic air.

The intensity of the 1977 blizzard was not caused by the falling snow, but by the wind, he said. This wind blew 10,000 square miles of accumulated snow off Lake Erie and directly onto the north shore of the lake, including much of the Niagara peninsula.

"I've lived in the peninsula all my life and I've never seen anything like that storm," Gail Hilyer, a manager of continuing education who was stranded at Niagara College during the storm, said.

There were people stranded in the main complex and the Black Walnut building in the cafeteria.

"Eventually people could get from building to building, but the roads were impassable, so no one could leave."

She said Niagara Frontier Caterers came in and supplied food for all of the people, but finding blankets for everyone was a problem.

"I found out that the curtains in my office don't make very good blankets."

See 'Blizzard' pg. 8.

Talk about digging out.... (Photo by Lawson)

Good news at last

It was Day 444 for the American hostages in Iran but Niagara College students were kept abreast of each and every development as it came about through Canadian Press wire copy posted outside the Niagara News newsroom in the Simcoe Building. The hostages were released at 12.35 p.m., minutes after Ronald Reagan became the 40th president of the United States.

(Photo by Claveau)

Faculty development impresses Americans

Fourteen college instructors from the United States visited Niagara College Jan. 9 and left with an appreciation for the professional development system practised by Niagara College instructors.

Mr. Wright and the 13 other visiting instructors teach at the Niagara County Comunity College in Niagara Falls, N.Y. He helped organize the trip to Niagara College along with Greg Laughton and Marti Jurmain, co-chairmen of professional development for applied arts here at the college.

"We're quite excited by the idea of professional development programs held during summer holidays," Mr. Wright said.

Health and physical education instructor Roger Wright said he and his fellow faculty members liked the practical experience approach of the professional development programs. He said in the system used where he teaches, "most of our faculty take sabbaticals to get another degree, which they need like a hole in the head."

"We'll bring the idea to the attention of the president of our college."

Speaking at a luncheon in the staff lounge, Jackie Robarts, the president of Niagara College, told the guests professional development gives instructors a chance to develop practical knowledge in a field related to their teaching.

John Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, said many of the Niagara College faculty members felt they had improved themselves professionally during work experience "and wanted to continue on another six to eight weeks of work."

Last May, 17 Niagara College teachers visited the Niagara Falls, N.Y., college to observe the teaching system used there.

Past visits from the Niagara Falls college have never been done on a group basis before, Mr. Wright said.

"The trip was totally optional and despite having only 14 of 150 instructors come, we're thinking we'd like to continue it," he said.

NC grad 'shoots' winner

A 1971 graduate of Niagara College's journalism-advertising program received a first place award from the Alberta News Photographer's Association for June 10 photographs on the front page of the Grande Prairie, Alta., Daily Herald-Tribune.

Jeff Harris, who has been the chief photographer in Grande Prairie since 1974, won first place in the news category for May-June 1980. The two winning photographs were of a chuckwagon accident at Grande Prairie's Stampede III and the injured driver being carried away by St. John Ambulance personnel.

Jeff went directly to Grande Prairie to work as a reporter-photographer after graduation.

He began work as a photographer and later became the newspaper chief photographer.

Everybody a doctor

No one spelling error in the Niagara News in recent memory has evoked as much comment as the misspelling of Tylenol in "Flu bug hits Niagara," (Page 1, Jan. 16, 1981).

One editor was heard to say, "If that was the most serious mistake we ever made, we'd be happy."

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No, it isn't your eyes! If spots and strange symbols appear to dance before you as you read this edition of the Niagara News, don't leap to the conclusion that your visit to a doctor has become urgent. For gremlins attacked our typesetter during Thursday's paste-up.

Common standards for all secretaries

Niagara College, through continuing education services, is offering two courses in the 1981 winter term that help secretaries study for a two-day exam which sets common standards of professionalism for secretaries across the United States and Canada.

The Certified Professional Secretary Examination (CPS) is a series of six tests written annually during two days in May.

The six areas covered in the examination are: behavioral science in business, business law, economics and management, accounting, secretarial skills and decision-making, and office procedures and administration.

"This course of studies is so complete that anyone who can pass the exam has really gone into depth in their field," Irene Hanlin, co-ordinator of the bilingual secretary and dicta-typist program at Niagara College, said. Mrs. Hanlin passed her CPS exams in 1972 and since then has been involved in the Niagara College courses offered to prepare for the exams.

The two courses being offered this term are: communications and decision-making, and office procedures. Each term for the past three years, one or two courses covering an aspect of the CPS have been offered.

NEED EXPERIENCE

Depending on education and experience a candidate must have between two and six years ofsecretarial experience. A candidate is given five years to pass all six sections of the exam before he or she has to begin again. "Most people do not pass all sections of the test the first time they try it," Mrs. Hanlin said.

"I suggest people who plan to take the tests take a speed reading course first." Mrs. Hanlin said she found this helped her when she wrote the exam.

The exam has been administered in test centres acrosss Canada and the U.S. since the pilot exam in 1951. A Canadian version of the exam is offered to candidates in Canada.

The closest testing centre to the Niagara area is Hamilton. Mrs. Hanlin said she would like to see Niagara college become a testing centre. The preparation courses offered at Niagara College are the only ones in this region, Mrs. Hanlin said.

Several states in the U.S. have officially recognized the CPS as a professional standard for secretaries.

Mrs. Hanlin said in the U.S. the impact of the CPS has been to set standards for every secretary and make her job a profession. She said the CPS will gain more official recognition in Canada when more Canadian secretaries start trying the exam.

Computer accounting now made possible

A course in accounting on computer terminals is being taught for the fourth term to secretarial dicta-typists as a required course and to other secretarial programs as an elective.

The increase in computers for small businesses dictates a need for people skilled with computer terminals, Ivar Noren, chairman of the applied management division in the school of business, said.

Mr. Noren said he sees a need for students to learn to operate computer terminals, although much of what is taught today at the college will be taught in high schools in a couple of years. He compared the course in computer terminal operation to one that was taught at the college a couple of years ago in pocket calculator operation. In the future the college will be able to concentrate on the application of courses on the computer terminals and not the teaching of an operation such as the keyboard of the computer terminals.

Students are given instruction on six computer terminals in Merrit 111 that are tied to the main computer as well as on the self-contained micro-computers in Lundy 14.

The course used to be accounting systems and machines, but that became outdated and was scrapped, Mr. Noren said.

Enter The Great Canadian Contest Win! The Great Canadian Pizza!

This week's Question :
Name the two Canadian ballet dancers who gained fame by dancing together in Canada as well as in Russia and name their home ballet company
Hint: They still dance together.
Answer:

Name:

Deposit entries in S110 before 11:36, Friday, January 30.

Winner will be the first drawn correct answer.

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Telethon changes cause

The Radio and Television (RTV) telethon will be held again this year, but with a few changes. The main one is to raise money for Participation House for disabled adults instead of the Crippled Children's Centre.

The fate of the telethon was in doubt last term when it was said students were taking class time to complete the project. Larry Taylor, RTV co-ordinator, said the students must be able to do it in their own time.

Because of this problem, numerous changes have been made to this year's telethon, tentatively scheduled for April 12. The hours have been cut to 12 from 24, another department in the school will be working on the telethon and the telethon is to be moved from the cafeteria to the RTV studios.

"We've done it (the telethon) with the Crippled Children's Centre for three years," Mr. Taylor said. "I think Participation House deserves a lot of help right now."

TO BUILD HERE

The purpose of the telethon is to raise money to build a Participation House in Welland to accommodate the disabled of the Niagara peninsula.

A Participation House is a home where disabled adults can live and everything is designed so that they can live a fairly normal life, he said.

"The hours of the telethon were cut because there was too much work involved," Mr. Taylor said.

Mr. Taylor said the telethon was not productive getting pledges in the morning hours and so those hours were eliminated.

"The students can benefit from a 12-hour telethon as much as a 24-hour one."

COLLEGE CO-ORDINATES

The telethon is to be co-ordinated from the college but Participation House will get the talent and do the research, Mr. Taylor said.

The telethon will be put on in the RTV studios instead of the cafeteria because it will give the workers control over the sound and lighting, Mr. Taylor said.

The telethon is tentatively set for Sunday, April 12, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Talent is being sought from the college, area high schools and the community.

(Photo by Runka)

Seasonal Beauty

A photographic oddity enhances this shot of a desolate landscape by the Niagara River. A flare from the camera created the illusion of the sun when in fact it is the image of the camera lens.

Flu bug still pest

The number of Niagara College students being treated at the Health Centre for the flu is still high, Marian Kerr, college nurse, said.

In the last issue of Niagara News [Jan. 16], Dr. G. J. Alexander, college doctor, said 15 of 21 students he examined in one week had to be treated for the flu. Mrs. Kerr said that, according to Dr. Alexander, the number has not changed.

Parade kicks off festival

A ceremonial march through the halls of Niagara College on Thursday, Feb. 12, will officially begin Celebrate Canada Festival 81.

The E.L. Crossley High School band will march through the halls from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., at which time Jacqueline Robarts, college president, will make opening remarks; there will be a flag raising in the Tecumseh lounge.

An arts and crafts display and sale will be held Wednesday, Feb. 11, at both the main campus and Welland Vale from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 12 at both campuses.

Canadian Evening, featuring dancing, singing and instrumentalists wil be held from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday night. Besides the arts and crafts display by Canada Packers and a display and film featuring woodcuts by Jacques Hnizodvsky.

Ethnic foods will be available between 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.. Thursday. A film festival featuring films by John N. Smith, a film producer; Gordon Lawson, Niagara photography instructor, and Tom Massiah, former RTV student, will run from 7:30 to 10 p.m.

"We're on our way," Gail Hilyer, festival convener, said at the Jan. 15 meeting of the festival committee. The meeting was held to review a final program draft. Although the program for the festival has now been completely drafted, "there may be a few small changes in it," Ms. Hilyer said.

Video games

Relocation surprise to all

Moving of the video games to behind the Hamilton Room a week ago came as a surprise to Niagara students, including the Student Administrative Council (SAC).

"They didn't notify us or the owner of the machines to tell us they were moving them," Tom Mather, SAC president, said. "For all we knew, they were gone for good. We found out the same way that everybody else did. We walked in Monday morning and they were gone."

The games were moved by Jack Spittle, plant and property manager, and his employees.

"I was ordered by the director of student services, Al Aboud, to move the games," Mr. Spittle said.

Mr. Aboud said he had received complaints from the library and from academic offices near the library.

"It was causing too much noise around the library," Mr. Aboud said.

Lori Smith, executive vice-president of SAC, said SAC was able to keep an eye on the games when they were outside the library.

"All we had to do was stick our heads out the back door in our office and we could see the machines," Lori said. "Now, where they are, we can't keep an eye on them."

SAC is very concerned because, Lori said, "the machines are about $3,000 each."

There were originally two games outside the library but now there are three on campus and, "we're getting another one," Lori said.

Tom Mather said, "It was really dirty" that they moved them.

Tom said SAC did not receive one complaint.

"We've received a complaint from the new location rather than the old one," he said.

Tom said there was a meeting at Welland Vale campus with student representatives at which college officials were told about acquisition of the machines.

"I was talking to Pete Rylander and told him what we wanted to do," Tom said. "Mr. Aboud was there and told us we could bring them on campus."

Lori said the machines were doing well where they were, as that is the main hall where a lot of students pass.

"Now the machines are back where they can't be seen," she said. "We're curious to see if the noise goes down. If not the games, people are throwing a frisbee or talking."

Transplanted Easterner says:

Western separatist passions high

By MICHAEL ROBB
Staff Writer

Ontarions know little about the passion and emotional intensity fueling western Canadian separation movements, a former Niagara College journalism student now living in western Canada, says.

Tim Scapillato, a former Port Colborne resident who attended a separatist rally, said: "The disturbing thing is the emotionalism involved. These separatists would not allow the leader of the Alberta Liberal party to debate with their leader, Vancouver lawyer, Doug Christie, even though he had been invited to the rally.

"For 10 minutes they booed and hissed refusing to listen to anything he had to say. It took a lot of guts on the part of Nick Taylor to stand there and remain composed."

His followers are not all young radicals, but represent a good cross-section of the Alberta population, Mr. Scapillato said in a letter to his mother, Joan; Mrs. Scapillato passed the letter on to Eugene Maltais, political science instructor at Niagara College.

FARMERS STRONG

Now, as in the past, the farmers seem to be the strongest supporters of separation, although the movement gets its biggest momentum when it is taken up by urban folk, he said.

"Mr. Christie had launched a personal crusade of hatred, not against the system as is now structured, but against Trudeau.

"His supporters revere him, and he was able to whip the crowd into a frenzy by such tactics as accusing Trudeau of being unpatriotic for not fighting during the Second World War."

Mr. Scapillato said as long as Pierre Trudeau and Premier Peter Lougheed remain as leaders, no solution will come out of the impasse.

"Westerners will grow angrier and the Liberals will never win an election in Alberta, but from what I can tell at this point, the separatist movement will never take off like it did in Quebec. But that isn't to say these rumblings should be ignored."

HATRED WIDESPREAD

If separation is not widespread in the west, hatred of Trudeau is, he said.

"He is bitterly and deeply despised by the majority of Albertans, and it is this that Doug Christie is playing on."

So much is Trudeau hated, in fact, that Albertans welcome Doug Christie, a man who comes from outside of the province and talks about a future filled with prosperity from the profits from "our oil," he said.

"Stripped of all the hype, the separatists, the Lougheed conservatives, Joe Clark, and many in the west have very valid arguments.

"It has taken me a lot longer than most westeners to see this, and perhaps if I had remained in the east I would never had realized it.

"It is easy to call Albertans greedy because it seems that all they really want is more money, but there is more than that involved.

There is a sense of wanting to belong to Canada, to be equal partners, and to have a say in the management of their affairs and resources."

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EDITORIALS

Breakdown in family unit

In the past, the family was an institution and its members' lives revolved around it. Gradually this institution has broken down and become fragmented, as have its members who tend to become isolated individuals and less identifiable.

In many foreign countries the family still plays an important role in the lives of the people and the development of their sense of identity, but this influence is declining in North American families.

Although a crude and basic thesis, this could be one reason for Canada not having a national identity or a singular unifying force. Before the individual can identify with a nation, there must be identification with a smaller order — that order being the family.

The United States has an identity but it was achieved more than 100 years ago when the family was a strong institution. Little of that country's identity as it is known today was developed in the last 25 years when the family started meaning less to the individual.

When was the last time you went to a family reunion? If you did attend one recently, did you complain about having to do so?

It's like practising your religion by attending church and being a part of it as an active member. Remembering your family, its members, and taking part in reunions shows your awareness of the fact you are a small part of the larger congregation of people. The surname is not just your own but that of the family of which you are a part.

Kenneth Hare

He didn't make it

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...Just another Wednesday

Last Wednesday was Weedless Wednesday but whoever thought it up was wasting his time.

People took no notice of this day designated to giving up tobacco. It was a day the same as all the others; it was just another Wednesday.

Weedless Wednesday was designed to make those who smoke feel guilty.

It tries to fill smokers' minds with the idea that their lungs are slowly failing each time a cigarette is smoked. Their lifespan becomes shorter as, one by one, a cigarette is put out in an ashtray already full of disgarded "butts."

The list of disadvantages of smoking go on and on. But how many smokers believe it or even want to hear it?

How many times have you heard someone say, "I'm going to give up smoking?" Some say "It's easy to say but it's not easy to do."

Some say people smoke to be "cool' but there are those who smoke for pure enjoyment. It all comes under freedom of choice.

What's the point of designating days for one reason or another? It would be interesting to find out how many people actually took heed to the day without a cigarette. Probably not very many.

For those who quit, congratulations. For those who didn't, there is always next Weedless Wednesday.

Rosemary Powell

Canadians, Americans in Operation Horseshoe

Students in first and second-year educational resource technician program (ERT) are going to be participants in Operation Horseshoe and would like other programs at Niagara College to help make the kick-off event for the United Nations designated Year of the Disabled, 1981, a success.

The event, to take place at dusk Feb. 8, will have 12,000 Canadians and Americans standing shoulder-to-shoulder from Terrapin Point on the United States side of the border across the Rainbow Bridge to Table Rock House in Ontario.

The outline of a horseshoe will be formed by the participants in the human chain who will hold illuminated light sticks at shoulder height symbolizing how the disabled have no boundaries.

HUMAN CHAIN

Of the 6,000 people needed to fulfil the Canadian end of the chain, *2,3000 have volunteered* to help.

Elvira Lucas, co-ordinator of ERT, said they in the program wanted a group of about 60 people to volunteer for the event. She said there was about 40 students in both first and second-year ERT but some would be working at their part-time jobs helping the disabled.

Anyone interested in joining the ERT students is asked to fill out an application form in S103 Simcoe Building.

Besides the lightsticks being held by the participants setting the horseshoe aglow, a fireworks display will light the night sky. Afterwards, the participants will be able to attend a dance and take refreshments.

Niagara College Board of Governors acquires three new members

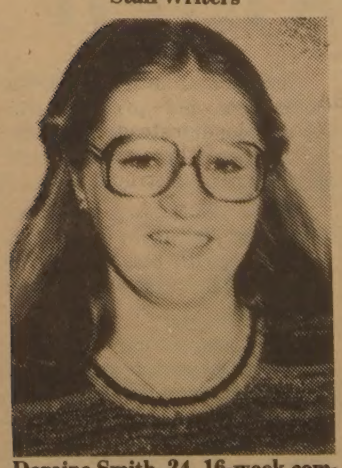
Niagara College's Board of Governors has three new members. Dr. Charles P. Fisher, St. Catharines, replaces former chairman Eleanor Lancaster; Alexander N. Elliot, senior vice-president at Port Weller Dry Docks, replaces Harry Picken, former Board vice-chairman, of Niagara-on-the-Lake, and Jules Letourneau of Welland replaces Rev. David Foley.

New members, who should be present at the next board meeting, are appointees from city council.

Roving Reporter

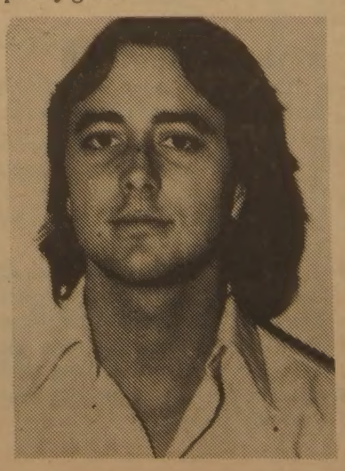
With the state of the economy the way it is, what do you think your chances for employment are ?

By ROSEMARY POWELL and MICHAEL ROBB
Staff Writers



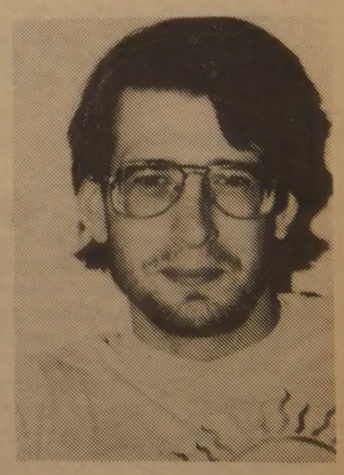
Doraine Smith, 24, 16-week commercial, Welland Vale: I hope so. There has to be something somewhere. I probably will have to go back to school to get more training.

Len Hanson, 40-week industrial maintenance, Welland Vale: I don't think my chances are very good at all. There are too many lay-offs. You are hired for an apprenticeship only if you are an employee of a plant. It looks pretty grim.



Sandy Whyte, 19, first-year nursing education: So far, it's a lot of work. I think we're getting prepared well for a job. I graduate in 1982 and I wouldn't hestitate to leave Ontario if I had to.

Patti Van Oosten, 19, first-year nursing education: I think Mack has a good reputation for the students they've graduated. Opportunities are really good. In Houston, they're starting 12-hour shifts which they think will be better.



Wayne Smith, 22, first-year nursing: There's 100 per cent chance for employment. It is the best course in the college for employment. The opportunities are basically anywhere you want to go.

Lifestyles

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Profile

Consulting engineer delighted to be board member

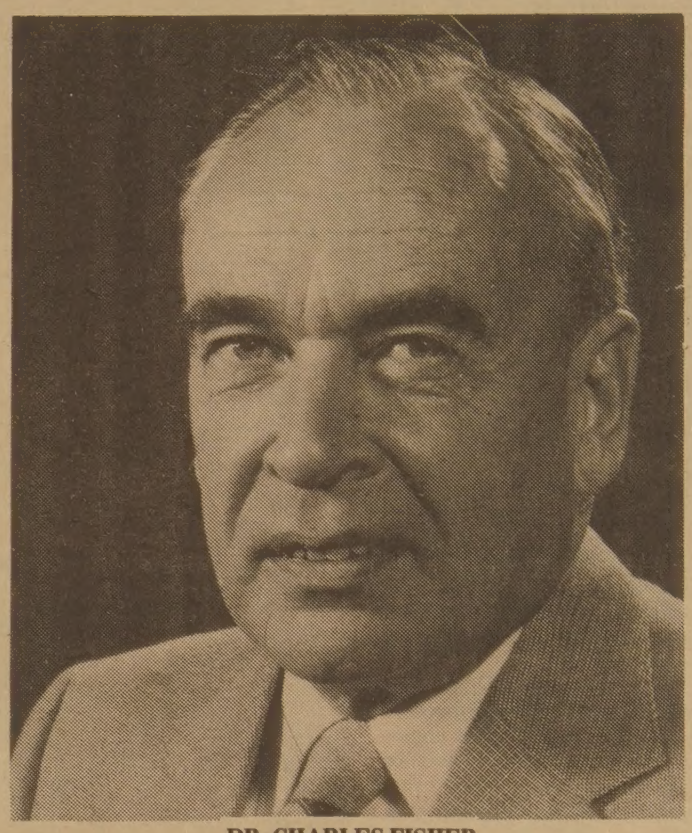
By SHEELAGH CAYGILL
Staff Writer

Dr. Charles Fisher, consulting engineer from St. Catharines, is "delighted" to be appointed to the Board of Governors at Niagara College. Dr. Fisher replaces former chairman Eleanor Lancaster.

As a member of the International Association for Water Pollution Research, Dr. Fisher has travelled all over the world researching problems with water supplies and pollution control. This international organization consists of about 28 national groups, each having scientists who elect an executive, Dr. Fisher said.

Dr. Fisher, who has lived in St. Catharines for eight years, is chairman of the executive and has travelled to conferences in countries like Thailand, Japan and New Zealand.

The purpose of the association is to "assimilate recent advances in knowledge of water control and get together in biannual conferences," Dr. Fisher said.



DR. CHARLES FISHER

ALWAYS INTERESTED

Having "always been interested in education," Dr. Fisher joined the University of Waterloo in 1959 and originally taught municipal engineering. While teaching, he worked at the University of Texas attaining his PhD in civil engineering.

Dr. Fisher was a professor at the University of Waterloo until 1966 and then worked with the federal government in the treatment of water and water pollution control.

Dr. Fisher, who grew up in Toronto, joined the air force in 1944 and trained as a fighter pilot although the war was over before he had a chance to put his newly learned skills into practice. He flew jets in the mid-50s and was then self-employed for five years, working as a consulting engineer.

He said he likes living in the Niagara region and is looking forward to helping Niagara College and St. Catharines by being on the Board of Governors.

An outdoor type of person who enjoys skiing, canoeing and camping, Dr. Fisher is married and has two sons aged 23 and 21.

Cont. ed. manager anticipates position

The "biggest transition" Candace Paris has found in taking over her new position as a manager of continuing education is the loss of student contact she has had while teaching at Niagara College.

Mrs. Paris has been with the college for 6½ years. She taught at the Mack nursing centre for three years, and was co-ordinator of the health sciences preparatory option for 3½ years.

The position became open when Evelyn Gay decided to retire after working at the college since 1973.

As Mrs. Paris assisted Miss Gay occasionally, she had some insight into the job. "I've always been interested in continuing education," Mrs. Paris said.

Responsible for identifying the needs of the community and meeting those needs with general interest courses is one of Mrs. Paris' duties. "I'm looking forward to that; it has such a wide range," she said.

HEALTH LIAISON

Mrs. Paris will also be the liaison officer for the school of health sciences. She will attend advisory meetings and, because she "speaks the language," she anticipates translating the needs of the health science division to her co-workers.

Beginning the position Jan. 1, Mrs. Paris hasn't had a chance to implement any new ideas. The staff has been "super at making me feel comfortable. They have been giving me a lot of input and keeping up with them will be a real challenge."

CANDACE PARIS

Before coming to the college Mrs. Paris worked as a critical care nurse for the Greater Niagara General Hospital. However, she became frustrated at the lack of continuing education courses offered, and went back to school to obtain her B.Sc. in biological science.

Although she has been away from the bedside for 3½ years, Mrs. Paris said, "I don't miss the hospital setting." The transition was gradual and "I was ready to make the change."

Cancelling courses is frustrating for instructors and students who have made the necessary preparation. "It's not good for morale." One of Mrs. Paris' objectives is to cut down on the number of classes that get cancelled, she said.

Mrs. Paris is a member of the Registered Nursing Association of Ontario. She is also founding member and current president of the Niagara Association of Critical Care Nurses.

Thoughts of subconscious, dreams reveal fantasies

By ALISON BAILEY
Staff Writer

Do you find sleep boring? Do you spend hours of lying around doing nothing?

Dreaming is a relatively new science that can take away the monotony. It will not only add pleasurable moments to your sleep but will conjure up mysteries and stories that can be solved in the waking hours.

Put back your wallets. Dreams cannot be bought in any store. They are available to everyone and used by everyone.

Every person dreams, Shirl Bingham, psychology instructor, who is teaching a course on exploration in dream theory said.

Mrs. Bingham, who has done a number of talk shows on the subject, said, "the idea some people have that they don't dream is a myth. The truth of the matter is that everybody dreams but we have not been trained to remember them."

Studies done in 1953 in the University of Chicago's department of psychology proved that every person dreams at least four times a night.

"Dreams relate to something that is on our minds or something that has happened in the past few days," she said.

"They are thoughts of the heart which appear as fantasies in sleep.

"Dreams are personal and are simply vibes we have picked up," Mrs. Bingham said.

Dreams are the relayers of messages that the subconscious thinks the dreamer should be made aware of. Therefore, she feels interpretive books on dreams are "illogical."

"Your dreams are part of yourself."

Though Freud was the father of dream interpretation, he limited himself to a sexual level. And, although dreams were used by the ancient Greeks, they were still not fully examined until the early 1950s.

Mrs. Bingham said dreams can help people get a true picture of themselves and can let the conscious mind realize things and thoughts the subconscious already knows.

"Dreams will say what a person truly feels about a situation."

In a dream state, the body will send messages to the dreamer.

She told of a student who dreamed of an operation where the doctor and nurses danced around him, after removing something from his side, singing "appendix, appendix." The man realized he had suppressed the knowledge of pains in his side. He went to his doctor and was diagnosed as having appendicitis.

"Dreams exaggerate and are often very funny."

They are like a mystery or puzzle in the context that they can use a play on words. So dreams should not be taken literally.

Most predictive dreams are simply "vibes" that have been picked up in the past few days and nightmares are just exaggerations of conflicts.

"A dream of seeing a friend being killed by a knife can mean being cut off from, or the death of, that person's friendship."

Dreams can affect everyday life even though the person is unaware of dreaming or the content of the dream.

"An unpleasant experience in a dream can carry on to the next day," she said.

Mrs. Bingham calls these "dream hangovers", but good experiences can make a person cheery or happy.

To remember dreams, one must be serious about remembering and relaxed before going to sleep.

To define or understand them, the dreamer must realize the state of mind he was in, the place the dream took place, and the relationship with the person dreamed of.

Touching mentality

By ROB ROY
Staff Writer

Studying philosophy, religion and politics under neighborhood mentors, Bruce Tallon decided when he was in Grade 11 that he wanted to spend his life in the psychology field of working with people.

The Niagara College psychology instructor and co-author of the book, A Touch of Glass, a modern guide to responsible drinking, said he feels he has an advantage over many instructors at the college.

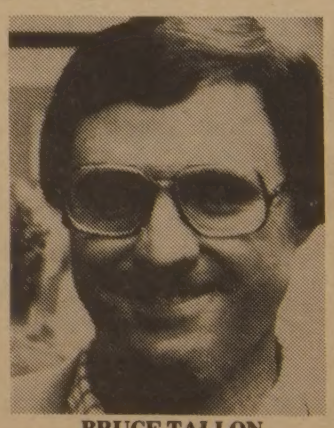
"Maintaining continuous contact with a number of students" through full-time counselling for a number of years at the college made it easier for him to move into a classroom situation.

After receiving his Honors BA in psychology at the University of Windsor he joined the staff of the Norris Psychiatric Wing of the St. Catharines General Hospital.

It was often more difficult communicating with the nurses and psychiatrists there than the patients, he said.

Many of the courses at the college are practical and don't allow for much creative thought, he said. This is why so many people take psychology and they discover "how wonderfully creative each person is."

Quoting Milton, Mr. Tallon said, "A mind is a place in itself that can make a heaven out of hell, a hell out of heaven."



BRUCE TALLON

Born in Windsor, this father of five children would like to see a psychology laboratory at the college where practical work can be done instead of theoretical studies. There are "an excellent group of instructors in psychology here" and a laboratory would allow many of them to work more in the areas in which they specialize.

Asked about his abilities, Mr. Tallon who has an MA in psychology said; "I'm good; I'm not going to say I'm better than anyone else but I feel I'm good."

Mr.Tallon said an important part of psychology is to help people understand why they do what they do and so they can use this knowledge creatively and positively to understand others.

Festival contribution

Hans van der Slagt, dean of the school of business, presents his hand-crafted wall hanging, "Winter Warm," to Gail Hilyer, convener of the Celebrate Canada Festival. (Photo by Claveau)

Tourism offering job experience as program goes co-operative

The tourism, tours and attractions program will be a co-operative education program since that program was approved at Christmas by the ministry of colleges and universities, Neil McGregor, co-ordinator, said.

First-year students will make the first conversion to the co-operative education program by going on work experience from May until the end of August this year.

The co-operative education program consists of three semesters of class-room training and two semesters of work experience. First-year students will attend classes at the college from September until December and from January until April. The students then go on work experience from May until the end of August. The students will return to the college in September for a final semester of class-room instruction before finishing with a semester of work experience.

BEST COMBINATION

The plan chosen for the co-operative education program was the best combination of many variations based on maximum time in both the class-room and in the tourism industry, Mr. McGregor said.

The co-operative education program offers many advantages to the student, the "most important being the practical hands on experience in the industry" that cannot be gained in class, Mr. McGregor said. The program, which also has a maturing effect on students, allows the employer to observe a person being considered for employment and gives the college a visible profile in the industry.

The students are being prepared for the conversion to the co-operative education program with six two-hour lectures which will be held for the next three Mondays. The lectures are being taught by Lawrence Cote, co-operative education co-ordinator, and Gordon McPherson, counsellor, with assistance from Mr. McGregor and will include how to look for a job and what is expected of the student in the program.

DOES EVALUATION

The students will be evaluated while on work experience by Mr. McGregor and the employer. Mr. McGregor will also monitor the students' progress on work experience. The students must meet standards set for them in industry, Mr. McGregor said.

Mr. McGregor emphasized that getting placements for work experience is a two-way street between students and the staff and said he has received 100 per cent co-operation from the students.

The only problem experienced in developing the program or getting it approved was that it was time-consuming, Mr. Mcgregor said. There was good response from the tourism industry and co-operation was received from students, faculty and the Board of Governors.

The co-operative education program was approved by the tourism advisory committee on Oct. 14 and by the Board of Governors on Nov. 7.

SAC proposes changes

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) announced plans to change the constitution if a quorum of five per cent of the student body is present at the next general meeting.

A change from the SAC financial year to the school year is proposed, whereby all responsibility will be taken by SAC until April 15, instead of April 1 when the new SAC year usually begins.

Because of SAC problems in the past with finances and budgeting, SAC wants to extend its term of office.

Tom Mather, SAC president, asked all division representatives to bring members of their divisions to the next meeting so the plan will be made into law. The meeting will be held in the Hamilton Room Feb. 3.

SAC resolved to change the constitution after having to change their budget three times because of bills incurred by last year's SAC, having to be paid this year.

The change in the constitution would enable SAC to retain office until after the Year End Bash which is usually paid for by the incoming SAC the following year. The proposed plan is to have both SAC and SAC-elect working together at the end of the school year.

Jack Frost visits

People worry about Jack Frost nipping at their noses but they have to admit he does a pretty good job of decorating trees and shrubs on cold winter mornings. (Photo by Ellis)

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Fashion Trek '81 success, students complete mission

By SHEELAGH CAYGILL and LIZ PAYNE

The room was dark and silent. Smoke swirled across the stage; a voice echoed through the silence, "Design, the final frontier! These are the voyages of the fashion arts students — their two-year mission to seek out new design frontiers."

With that dramatic and impressive introduction, the fashion show began. The fashion arts students' Fashion Trek '81, Jan. 20, in the Hamilton Room at 12.30 and 8 p.m., was original and highly successful. First and second-year students displayed fashions they had designed and made themselves which included the main theme — Indian influence. Other themes in the show were sportswear, hostess outfits, day wear, loungewear and evening wear.

Working on the show since September, each student was required to design at least one outfit that showed definite Indian influence. Designs ranged from interpretations of Eskimo bird drawings to the impact of new wave. All students modelled their own designs.

MUSLIN — PLUS

The first-year students modelled hostess outfits that were the product of plain unbleached muslin and much imagination. Their designs showed great variety.

Some of the most stunning designs included the loungewear and evening wear presented by second-year students. Outfits ranged from a racy red evening dress, to the classic wool suit, to the mini skirt.

Basic pants took on many different forms from silky evening pants with slits up the front to jodhpurs to knee-length clam diggers. All the outfits showed the promise of many exciting designs to come.

Those involved in creating the show included Heather Lane, co-ordinator; Elaine Alguire, producer; Laurie Larman, commentator; and Joanne Verneulen, technical director. Music was provided by the radio and television department, and video by the media department.

Needs dressing rooms

Dressing room problems for visiting pub bands have left Niagara College with the choice of having one band at a time only, Tom Mather, president of the Student Administrative Council (SAC), said at a meeting Jan. 20.

Because of the lack of dressing room facilities, Toronto, which played one 90-minute set Wednesday, had no back-up group and started at 10.30 p.m.

Tom said problems with dressing rooms have occurred because the use of the staff dining room has been prohibited by Fred Bassi, who is in charge of pubs.

SAC was concerned that students drinking for 2½ hours before the band came on might become rowdy.

SAC wanted to keep the doors closed until 9 p.m. but Niagara's pub policy says that the doors must open at 7.45 p.m. and Mr. Bassi said SAC must follow pub policy, Tom said.

Some members suggested that SAC spend its surplus funds for dressing room facilities.

Fire

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the drill be treated seriously and any problems that occur be relayed to committee members.

The fire drill will take about 20 minutes, after which students will be able to return to their classes.

Special effects director describes trade to RTV

The man who created the special effects for the Rocky Horror Picture show and Superman II spoke to radio and television (RTV) students Jan. 19 during a film class lecture.

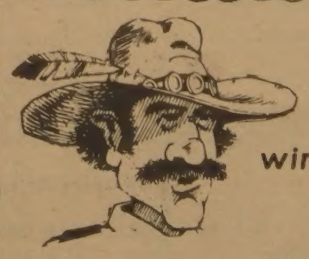
Colin Chilvers, director of special effects from England, described to students the technical aspects and special effects he used in making these two box office hits. He was speaking to third-year students who are specializing in film and some television students.

Mr. Chilvers is working for the Niagara Film Productions Co. in Niagara Falls.

He is trying to raise money to fund a film he wants to make on the Niagara Peninsula. The film will take the style of a Roots series, Elias Petras, instructor of film, said. It will trace a family from the 1800s to the present.

The film will be a dramatic, historical film, Mr. Petras said.

Mr. Chilvers explained to students the future careers and the possibility of employment with the company in Niagara Falls when it starts working on the new film.



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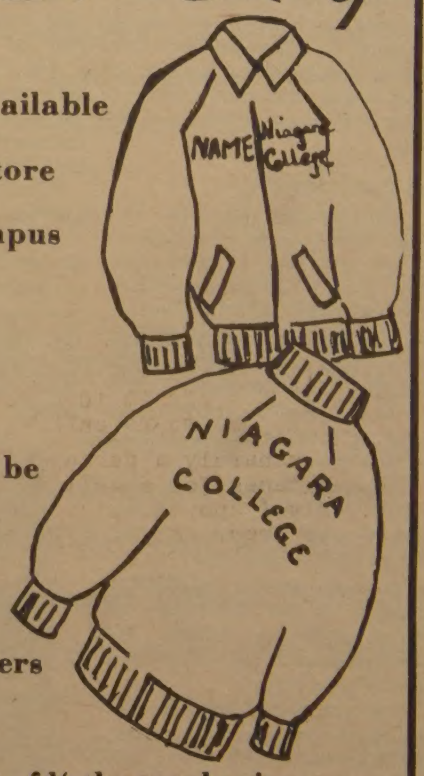

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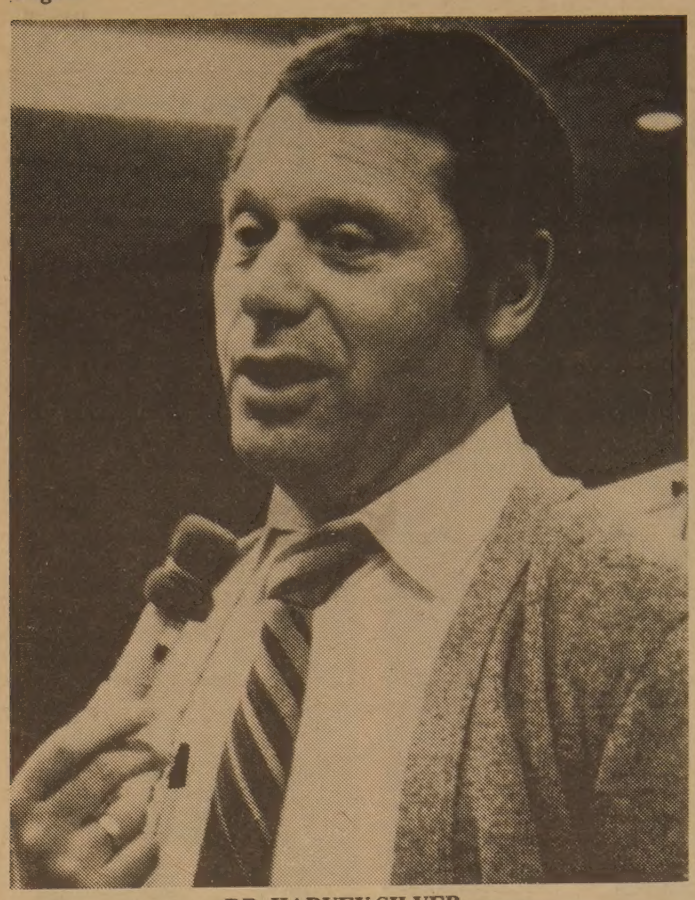


DR. HARVEY SILVER

Behavioral workshop makes people aware

By MARK WALTERS
Staff Writer

Modifying people's behavior and helping them grow is not as difficult as some may think. And you don't need a university degree or lots of money to do it, Dr. Harvey A. Silver, a counselling and organizational psychologist, says.

Dr. Silver led a management development workshop at the Parkway Inn in St. Catharines Jan. 15 and 16.

There are only two ingredients needed to modify a person's behavior; people must be aware of their behavior and must want to change, he said.

"A person that is unaware will keep on doing the same thing," Dr. Silver said. "Once you make the person aware, they have options, flexibility, choices.

"Awareness provides the individual with freedom to repeat or revise their behavior."

Revising your behavior means changing, and people are afraid of change because they don't like to fail. It's hard to change; it takes longer, takes more thought and new things feel awkward, he said.

LITTLE THOUGHT

To illustrate this point, Dr. Silver tried a simple experiment. He told everyone to cross their arms. Then he asked them which arm was over the other; everyone had to look, indicating that habits are done with little thought. Then he asked everyone to switch arms; it took them three or four times to succeed because it was awkward.

"When you repeat your past, you're confident," Dr. Silver said. "People naturally do what they're comfortable with."

"Someone who is maladjusted engages in self-defeating behavior (resisting change) and rarely achieves the goals they are trying to attain."

Progress, not perfection, must be the goal in a person's growth, Dr. Silver said.

"Practice doesn't make people perfect, it makes them better," he said. When the frequency and magnitude of the problem decrease, a person is making progress, and is therefore successful.

"We judge ourselves by our intentions, but we judge others, and are in turn judged by our behavior," Dr. Silver said. "You have to match the behavior you want others to emulate and copy."

"You have to give away what you want to receive," he said. "There is no gain without some pain."

STEPS TO USE

There are steps any person can use to help others grow, Dr. Silver said. When people are "psychologically drowning", give them something to keep them afloat, such as examples and illustrations.

Provide comfort, security and encouragement by using a softer, clearer voice; look directly at people, and move in closer. These will be interpreted as positive encouragements. Listen when people speak and use their own words to encourage them further.

The two most important factors are being confident that people can do what is asked of them and confidence that you can help them, Dr. Silver said.

"The confidence you have in yourself determines how much confidence you have in others," he said.

Before becoming an independent psychologist, Dr. Silver was assistant to the chairman of the department of psychology at State University of New York at Buffalo.

Students set own standards in fine arts course at college

By SHEELAGH CAYGILL
Staff Writer

An archaic stereotype in most western societies is one of a small character with abstract enthusiasm glowing in his eyes. Wearing a stained smock, he often sports a beard and, from his shoulder pack, brushes and a palate protrude.

This is the common concept of an artist. But in the portables at Niagara College, Welland, apart from the untidy distribution of art material and reek of paint, the students appear unusually conventional!

The students aren't too concerned with this stereotype but, unfortunately, along with it comes the idea artists shouldn't be taken too seriously, they're lazy and have opted out of hard work by taking up such a thing as art, said Ken Cosgrove, fine arts instructor.

The fine arts course, a major in general college, emphasizes concepts not usually taught in community college, Mr. Cosgrove said. Although all students are expected to possess a certain amount of self-discipline, this quality is vital to the art student.

Like many students the art student must be conditioned to sticking it out when things get rough. But the art student must learn to accept his own failure: he will fail so many times and fall below his own expectations.

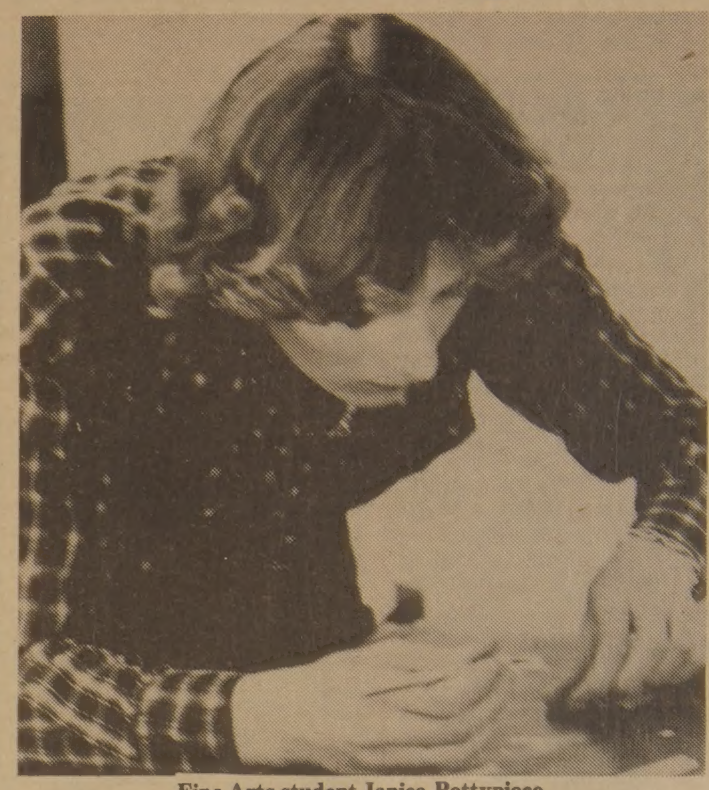
Artistic Rut

Unlike the average student who is often satisfied when an instructor is, "once the artist accepts, he gets in a rut," Mr. Cosgrove said. "He must adhere to his own standards; I try to give self-confidence and self-reliance but the only way a student can attain that is by setting his own standards."

In its third year, the fine arts course teaches life drawing, oil painting and silk screening. "The philosophy behind this course is letting the students get their feet wet, giving them confidence and getting them used to the idea of failure," Mr. Cosgrove said.

The first-year course has been successful in placing graduates who want to further their education in art. Students have gone on to the University of Western Ontario fine arts department, graphics and the Ontario College of Art (OCA). "For the OCA students compete against 3,000 other students for 300 places," Mr. Cosgrove said. "Most of this year's first-years have their sights set on OCA."

Tony Napolipano, a graphic arts graduate, decided to take fine arts because "it's more personal — there's more to art than working a press," he said. Tony wants to go to Carleton University when he graduates.



Fine Arts student Janice Pettypiece

Fine arts first-year Dave Plummer would like to attend OCA and eventually hopes to be an illustrator. Dave, 22, said he enjoys the course which he calls "just a starting point." He said, "The facilities aren't that good; when we do silk-screening the temperature is often too low." Dave said the students try to produce the best quality work with the facilities available.

It's a unique experience visiting the second-year's life drawing class; any other presence or interruption is barely noticed as the artists become fully absorbed in their work. In the studio there is an atmosphere of dedication, discipline and determination; an outsider envies these qualities but even more awe-inspiring is the final product — for the students are artists in their own right.

Taught by Ken Cosgrove, the class works for 20 minutes and then Mr. Cosgrove objectively criticizes the work. Although each work of art strongly projects individual style, the class is important to each member in a collective way.

"Artists have to compare ideas and be with other artists," student Madeleine Fregren said. "Everyone enjoys everyone's company and borrows from other experience — if you work alone you get in a rut."

Although art is an expensive hobby, for most of the second-year students it's an obsession. "The second-years are accomplished artists in their own right and have come back to attain discipline," Mr. Cosgrove said.

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For some people this creation "is one way to help ensure that the small university survives."

Such creations would result in three levels of post-secondary education and would only give students confusion in deciding which institution to attend, she said.

Apart from not granting degrees, "Niagara College can do what a polytechnic can do," Miss Robarts said. "The community college system is a good one."

Ancient board game popular worldwide

What has 361 players, is played on a 19 by 19 grid and is approximately 5,000 years old? If you guessed Go, an ancient Chinese board game played by two people, you're right.

Go, a strategy game similar to chess, is an extremely popular pastime in the Orient which is beginning to catch on throughout the world. So popular has it become that there are clubs set up in St. Catharines, Hamilton and quite a few in Toronto, Tom Fraser, chemical technology instructor at Niagara, said.

Mr. Fraser, who is a member of the St. Catharines Go club, said the game is quite simple with very few rules.

"The object of the game is to control territory and capture your opponent's men," he said.

The players choose which color stone they want, white having 181 and black 180, and they alternate placing them anywhere on the grid. The stones are not placed on the squares, however, but instead are set on the intersection of the squares. When a stone is captured, that is, completely surrounded by opposing stones, it is removed from the board. Play ends when one player has no possible place to move any of his men.

"The best feature of the game is that it can be handicapped," Mr. Fraser said. This allows less experienced players to place extra stones on the board at the beginning of the game so as to even things out when they play stronger opponents. The intricacies of the game become more complicated the more you learn and play, Mr. Fraser said.

Although the game originated in China, the greatest following is in Japan, where professional leagues are set up. The game also employs a rating system which begins at 30Q and descends in number as the competency level increases. The highest possible level of expertise is 9 Dan. Mr. Fraser, who has been playing for two years, said he is at the 11Q level right now.

The club meets every Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in room 5 of the Brock Glenridge campus in St. Catharines. Interested visitors are welcome, Mr. Fraser said.

Invitation to fitness

Six weekly seminars on fitness and weight control will be conducted in Room L3 of the Lundy building starting Feb. 3 from 12:15 to 1 p.m.

Niagara College students and staff are invited to take part in the free seminars and join Fitness Niagara.

People with questions about the program can obtain information at the Health Centre, Room L20, Lundy building.

NIAGARA

SPORTS

Pat Morrissey, 42, of the Niagara Knights, pursues a Mohawk Mountaineer driving for the basket as Dave Patterson, 22, and Scott Allan, 50, of Niagara look on. Niagara lost to Mohawk 77-37. (Photo by Heath)

Men's first win of season, defeat Colts in overtime

By BRAD HEATH
Staff Writer

The men's basketball team won for the first time this season by defeating Cambrian College 65-61 in a game that was decided by a five-minute overtime period.

"The team deserved the win," coach Dan Radobenko said. "They worked hard for it."

Mr. Radobenko said he expected the first win of the season on Jan. 14 against Conestoga College. Comparing the Jan. 17 victory to the game against Conestoga, Mr. Radobenko said: "If we'd played like that against Conestoga, we'd have won."

High scorers for Niagara were Scott Allan, 23; Dave Patterson, 15;Harold Ross, 13; and Pat Morrissey, 10. For Cambrian, the high scorers were Peter Lavigueur, 19; Dan Yoisten,16 and Rick Landry, 15.

HELD LEAD

Niagara opened the scoring at 1:35 of the first half and held the lead until 10:58 with a solid offence that used quick, short passes and good rebounding.

Niagara's offence fell apart at this point and could not penetrate the Cambrian offence. It was not until 14:53 that Niagara scored again.

Cambrian took advantage of this lapse in scoring by Niagara to put an 11-point gap between themselves and Niagara.

Niagara attempted a comeback in the last five minutes of the first half, but could not get any closer than four points to Cambrian.

The first half ended 26-22 in favor of Cambrian.

HIGH SCORERS

High scorers for Niagara in the first half were Scott Allan, 11, Pat Morrissey, 5, Harold Ross, 4, and Dave Patterson, 2. For Cambrian the high scorers were Rick Landry, 9, Peter Lavigueur, 7, and Dan Yoisten, 6.

Dave Patterson opened the scoring in the second half for Niagara at 1:04 and by 1:44 Niagara had tied the score at 28-28.

Thirty seconds later Niagara took the lead, but Cambrian tied it up at 30-30 nine seconds later.

Cambrian took the lead at 4:45, but could only hold it until 5:11, at which time Niagara tied the score at 32-32.

Cambrian took the lead again at 7:07 and by pressing Niagara forced them to make too many mistakes in their own end. Cambrian did not relinquish the lead until 17:14.

SERIOUS COMEBACK

Niagara started to make a serious come-back attempt in the last seven minutes and took the lead from Cambrian at 17:14, but only held it for 30 seconds before Cambrian tied the score 47-47.

Niagara took the lead again at the one-minute mark, but could not hold it and the second half ended 49-49, forcing a five-minute overtime period.

Pat Morrissey opened the scoring in the overtime period for Niagara with a foul shot that put Niagara out in front 50-49. Niagara scored four more points before Cambrian retaliated.

Cambrian came back with two baskets and pulled within one point of Niagara, but that was the closest Cambrian was to get.

Niagara scored seven points in the last minute and a half to win the game 65-61.

The men's record is 1-9.

Knights lose control

The Niagara Knights men's basketball team never had the lead in the game they played against Mohawk Jan. 22. After a close well-played first half, the Knights lost control of the game and suffered a 77-37 defeat.

At the end of the first half Niagara was trailing by 10 points. They pulled within three points of Mohawk twice in the first half but could never overtake the Mountaineers.

High scorers for Niagara were Harold Ross with 12, Scott Allan with 10, Dave Patterson with 10, and Pat Morrissey with 4. Mohawk's high scorers were Dave Boorsha with 16, John Hemmer with 16 and Paul Mungar with 12.

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Philadelphia or Oakland?

By ROSEMARY POWELL
Staff Writer

Who is going to win the Superbowl on Jan. 25? Why?

Brian Green, English instructor: Oakland by six points. They've been coming from behind all season long. They've got the experience and more confidence than the Eagles. They know what they can do more than the Eagles do. The Eagles are less motivated than the Raiders.

Lori Williams, 20, third-year radio and television: Philadelphia by 13 points. They've come a long way now. They've got a city full of winners and they're not going to let them down now.

Joan Liddiard, sociology instructor: Philadelphia by three points. They've had a lot of winners this year so they may as well go all the way. I think it's going to be a defensive game.

I.G. Giancarlo, executive dean: Philadelphia by five points. It will be a very close game. Watching them against the Cowboys, they showed a lot of determination. They're hungry for a win because they haven't won for so long.

Ken Vaantaja, 19, first-year electrical technician: Philadelphia by 10 points. They've got the best offence. Wilbur Montgomery, as their running back, is going to break away from the Oakland defence.

Luaine McMaster, 19, second-year interior design: Oakland by 14 points. They've got the better team. They're the underdogs, but I'd like to see them pull through.

Brad Maves, 18, first-year journalism: Oakland by 10 points. They're a lot better than Philadelphia. Philadelphia has been running on luck all season. Their time is up.

NIAGARA

SPORTS

Winger motivates team, works corners for Knights

By ROSEMARY POWELL
Staff Writer

Paul Berstling, a right winger for the Niagara Knights hockey team, decided to play hockey at an early age, not only because he started skating when he was young, but also because "it was something that all Canadians seemed to do."

The six-foot Thorold native started playing hockey about the age of five in St. Catharines. He played for the Thorold Bantam midget All Stars for one year at about 15 and then moved on to the Thorold Junior Bs for two years. Paul is in his third year of personnel management and has played on the Niagara Knights since he came to the college four years ago.

Paul calls himself the "playmaker."

"I'm out there to help the team win," he said. "I dig a lot in the corners and set up Jimmy Voisin a lot. I try to motivate the guys."

Paul speaks highly of the team and said, "We'll make it to the championship."

"We've got a good team which has a lot of hustle, a lot of desire."

Paul said the team lacks a bit in defensive playing but "it is coming along."

"The forwards have a tendency to not go back and help out the defence."

What helps a team play to its highest ability is a coach who takes pride in his team and that is what Paul said both coach Fred Bassi and assistant coach Gordie McPherson have.

"I think Fred has the interests of the players in his mind," Paul said. "He's the type of guy the team really likes. The players get along well with him."

Paul said that Mr. Bassi, like any coach, enjoys winning more than losing.

"He wants a championship team. He's a real asset to the team."

"Gordie is a behind-the-scenes type of coach," Paul said.

He helps us a lot in the stats department. He tell us what we're doing wrong and tries to improve our playing by giving us good pointers."

Paul summed up his feelings about the team by saying, "It's the most together team I've ever played on."

PAUL BERSTLING

"The lines are evenly matched up. Each line is scoring goals."

The 160-pound right winger likes and has tried all sports. He likes to work out in the gym lifting weights, as well.

When he finds time, Paul enjoys cross-country and downhill skiing as well as jogging and biking.

"I like to play backgammon with Randy Kerr, too," he said.

He is a Grade 13 graduate of the St. Catharines Collegiate and hopes to find a job in management upon graduating this year, "or something in that area."

Women's team loses 54-42, basketball season reopens

The women's basketball team re-opened the season with a loss against Mohawk College 54-42.

"It was the first game back," coach Russ Stevenson said. "We were caught against the toughest team in the league." Mohawk has a 12-0 record.

The defeat was not a disgraceful one, Mr. Stevenson said. "There were little flashes where we did well. One stretch we outscored them 12-4."

High scorers for Niagara were Carolyn St. Angelo, 16, Fran Russell, 16, and Terry Cushman, 8. For Mohawk the high scorers were Anne Devorski, 14, Leslie Oliphant, 12, and Marg MacNaughton, 8.

Mohawk opened the scoring in the first half and for the first 15 minutes was in complete control of the game.

Niagara's scoring was limited by an inability to penetrate the Mohawk defence and sloppy passing.

In the last five minutes of the first half Niagara seemed to come alive. They came from 13 points behind Mohawk to end the first half with a score of 22-17 in favor of Mohawk.

High scorers for Niagara in the first half were Terry Cushman, 6, Carolyn St. Angelo,6, and Fran Russell, 5. For Mohawk the top scorers in the first half were Anne Devorski, 8, Leslie Oliphant, 6, and Marg MacNaughton, 4.

Mohawk came out in the second half playing the same way they did in the first half. By the eight-minute mark they had a 42-26 lead.

Niagara never came any closer than nine points to Mohawk in the second half and were outscored 32-25.

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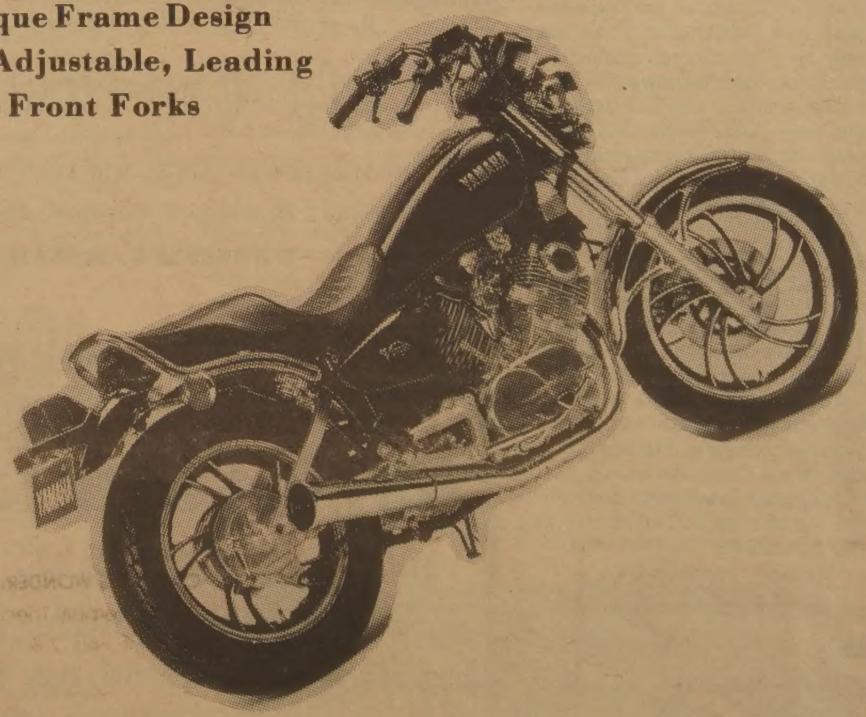

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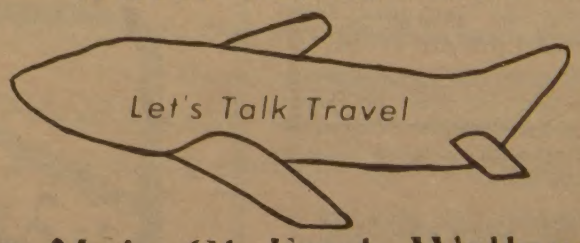

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From the point

John Mann lets a shot go from the blue line during a game against the Sheridan Bruins. The Knights won 7-5 Jan. 17. Both teams played an aggressive game resulting in more than 90 minutes in penalties being handed out by the referee. The Knights overpowered the Bruins in the first period scoring five goals and shutting out the opposition.

NIAGARA

SPORTS

Women breaking into pro sports despite stifling prejudices

In the age of equal opportunity the prejudices that face women breaking into new areas are still stifling. Men see the threat of women in business as a putdown to their position of breadwinner. But the invasion of women is not only in the business office but in the locker room.

Can women stand up to the bad boys of sports? In a world of hard hitting play, many feel that the sports world is not one for women. The likes of Tiger Williams, Muhammad Ali and John McEnroe have proven that sports is a man's world. Or have they?

Names such as Chris Evert, Olga Korbut and Nancy Lopez have crept into the locker room and sent men scurrying for their towels. Women's sports have grown into popularity to much that new lines of equipment have been designed for women.

No more struggling with male shoulder pads, swinging awkward tennis racquets, wearing men's training shoes and straining to lift 100 pound weights. The Jill strap has replaced the Jock strap!

So what is the difference between women's sports and those for men. It would not be fair to say that they both are on the same level but it also would not be fair to say women are not as competitive as men. Many times one can see a fair beauty sneak a shot into her opponent or throw a tantrum on the court because of a bad call. These are the same women who are just respected by many as their male counterparts.

Some ask what kind of woman would want to play sports that have always been reserved for men. Is she some kind of tomboy, women's libber or is she out to prove something. Some people fail to realize that she may be out for the enjoyment of the game, its demands and even the big bucks that are now so common to athletes.

We all have seen the advertisement of the jock standing in the locker room guessing who the sports announcer coming in to see him is and his reaction of finding out that he is really a she. Phyllis George and Jayne Kennedy are becoming the Howard Cosell and Dandy Don Meredith of the sports broadcasting team as the powder puff set sets its sights on all aspects of the sports world.

Not only have women invaded the so-called he-man sports but men are finding their way into what were termed sissy sports or those for women only. Gymnastics and figure skating have seen male champions who have passed the barriers of sexual discrimination.

At a time when a little boy may dream of being a nurse or a little girl may dream of being a football hero to the time each embark on a career, then the world of sports, like that of business and any other aspect of the "man's world," may have fallen.

Laurie Ellis

Niagara defeats Sheridan, penalties decide outcome

By JIM BELYEA
Staff Writer

While many people watched the Leafs beat the Canadiens Saturday night, about 60 people took the trouble to go to the Welland Arena to watch the Niagara Knights hockey team defeat the Sheridan Bruins 7-5.

The Bruins hit the ice in the new style for hockey wear this season, sporting a new version of hockey pants that goes all the way down to the ankles. It looked like Mel and the boys in sweatsuits out for an afternoon of shinny. Most players didn't wear face masks. This made fighting easier.

It seems that few people expected the Knights to win that night but, when the first period ended, the Knights were leading the Bruins 5-0. Sheridan was leading in penalties 9-4.

The penalties were an important part of this game since goals by both sides were scored while the teams were short of players. The penalties were so numerous and diverse that one of those rare moments occurred when Bruin goalie, Paul Cook threw his stick at opposing player Randy Kerr. Randy was awarded a penalty shot which Paul blocked with his chest.

LOOKED FORMIDABLE

During the first period Niagara looked formidable on goals by Randy Kerr, Dave Harrison, Jim Voisin, Joe Mitchell, and Lari Carter. Lari's goal was the result of a lucky bounce off a Bruin defender. Goalie Cook lodged a protest which resulted in a two-minute minor for unsportsmanlike conduct and a 10-minute misconduct.

Niagara outshot Sheridan 23-10 in the first period.

Things were a little calmer during the second period with the Bruins and Knights splitting the scoring with a goal each. Both teams were tied in penalties, getting 12 minutes and a game misconduct a piece.

The Niagara goal was scored by Joe Mitchell and the Sheridan marker by Mark Palmer. Niagara outshot Sheridan 15-10.

BRUINS SCORE

During the third period, things sort of fell apart for the Knights. Sheridan scored four goals, three of them in the last three minutes. The Bruins outshot the Knights 19-14. The only place the Knights excelled was on penalties, getting six to Sheridan's four.

Sheridan exploited these opportunities closing the gap to two goals. During the last minute of play, the Bruins pulled their goaltender in favor of an extra attacker. But to no avail. Bruin goals by Kelly Hrozjak, Mark Palmer, Steve Woolridge and a loner by Rob Rose brought the Bruin total to five. Greg Johnston scored the only Knight reply.

It was a shame this was only an exhibition game, because the points were spread around evenly. No one got a hat trick but Joe Mitchell, Randy Kerr, and Rick Fortuna amassed three points each in goals or assists.

Knights coach Fred Bassi was pleased with the win. "I'm happy to take the win. They played well for the first period. I hope we can play better in the second and third periods. If we can do that, we'll do better."

Fortunately the game was an exhibition so the players that were ejected from the game will not suffer further consequences. The referee was in no mood to listen to anyone that night. He ejected one player for making comments that really came from another player.

"They let the animals out of the zoo tonight," the referee said. That was his general attitude toward the players that night. When the numbers were tallied, the Bruins were the overall winners in penalties.

If the Knights can learn to play three periods of hockey as well as they played the first period, they will be definite contenders.

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Florida trip off

The spring break trip to Florida, planned and organized by the Student Administrative Council (SAC), is "basically off," Tom Mather, SAC president, said Jan. 20 at a general meeting.

SAC had believed 50 seats were reserved for the college to go to Miami, but it turned out that they were not and only four were available.

"SAC was put into the position where we had to scrounge for a different agency to arrange the trip," Tom said. "We could only find a place in the $470 range to Pompano Beach, Florida, which isn't a hot spot."

He had not anticipated any problem with getting 50 seats together for the trip, but now "getting 50 seats together is impossible, just impossible."

"It's too late to go down as a group," Tom said.

One class representative suggested getting a contract with a travel agency now so there wouldn't be any misunderstanding next year.

BIRTH

Tom and Wendy Pagonis are happy to announce the arrival of their first daughter, Michelle Elizabeth, born 5.15 p.m., Jan. 18, weighing seven pounds, two ounces, and 18 inches in length.

HOT DOG

Fashion arts students are holding their second hot dog sale Tuesday during the double lunch in the Tecumseh Centre.

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Going camping? Invest in a canoe

By ROB ROY
Staff Writer

If you are planning on moving up to the north country this winter, doing some winter camping or even thinking about a nice secluded trip away from it all this summer, then Jim Holman should be one name you shouldn't forget.

A maker of canoes for the past 23 years in Fenwick, he has more recently been designing snowshoes and furniture with the same mesh used in snowshoes. In the last nine years, with the support of his wife, he has been making Red House Canoes as he calls his operation, full-time along with the snowshoes in the past six years and the furniture.

At 57, although he said he isn't totally sure about his age because "it is irrelevant after the prime part of your life," he makes about six canoes per winter. "Doing your own thing" is what he likes about his work after 25 years with the Thorold Paper Co.

"Most of the time around here it's really exciting," he said. "Sometimes I can't wait to get going in the morning." At one time he had two canoes going at the same time but found there wasn't enough room in his shop.

Jim Holman bends a newly steamed piece of wood for one of his snowshoes. (Photo by Roy)

PREACHES WORKMANSHIP

The workmanship involved is the most important part of making canoes and snowshoes, he said. One winter he made nine canoes but found that they were of a poorer quality because he didn't have as much time to spend on each one individually and was tired of making them by the end of that season.

One problem with the snowshoes has been the competition with companies such as Canadian Tire which sells inexpensively priced and, in Jim's opinion, snowshoes of lesser quality. Sales of his snowshoes have been rising and he said he feels it is due to public awareness of the craftsmanship of handmade products.

"People who build wooden canoes are a special kind of people," he said. "They like wood" and are willing to spend more time in perfecting their product whereas fibreglass and aluminium canoes are likely largely fabricated with machines.

Mr. Holman has a rotary lathe to help make his paddles, parts for the canoes and for the snowshoes. Most of the machines he uses are made out of parts from old cars and tractors. He uses and steamer to curve the gunnels, ribs and planking for the canoes as well as the wood for the snowshoes. To make the parts for the canoes he has an open mold giving him more control over the nails and the way they fasten. "Large companies tend to use a plug mold which doesn't allow a person to watch the part-making process."

"I try to make every canoe a little better than the last one," he said. "I go in boasting to my wife that each one is the best I've ever made."

Western red cedar from British Columbia is used for the planking in the canoe; Ontario white cedar is used for the ribbing because of its durability and rot resistance while oak makes up the rest of the canoe. He cuts down much of his wood locally with a heavy-duty chainsaw but the Ontario cedar comes from a mill in Eganville, near Bancroft, Ont.

"I hate square things; I don't make anything square," he said. The lines in the snowshoes, chairs and canoes are rounded or curved because he said he thinks they flow and are pleasant to look at.

Although he doesn't canoe much, he does use one about once a year to go moose hunting. "I have always liked the outdoors," he said.

Mr. Holman said he despises waste and, as for wood, "I don't like to see people cut trees down and burn them." He said he feels wood should be taken back to the outdoors in a useful form as in the body of a canoe or frame of a snowshoe.

Blizzard

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Ms. Hilyer said as a result of her experience she now keeps some basics like a toothbrush and towel in her desk. She also said she knows people who carry blankets in the back seat of their cars now.

Alexandra Fic, general college instructor, was a passenger in a car that left at noon on the Friday of the storm to go to St. Catharines.

"After three or four hours of driving around we got to Highway 58 where the car ran into a snowbank and was hit by another car." She said the car ended up in an eight-car pile-up.

"I think right after the storm there was a great fear of any kind of snow. Now I take precautions, I am a little more careful when I drive in the snow, but I have really almost forgotten about the storm."

NEW INSTRUCTIONS

Since 1977 the college has outlined instructions naming people in charge of closing the school in bad weather, and people who are required to stay at the school until everyone can get out.

With another cold winter forecast for next year a blizzard of the century is possible at any time. At this time of year in this part of the world, the weather can be both unpredictable and furious.

Mr. Munroe suggested that people try to be aware of what the weather forecasts are and listen closely if it looks as if a storm might be coming.

To most people the storm of 1977 came as a complete surprise.

Ms. Hilyer said her stranded weekend began when she went into the cafeteria to have a bowl of soup and wait out the snow squall before she headed home.

"I was sure it couldn't continue for long the way it was snowing out."

Two days later she got into her car and drove home.

"That was one of the longest bowls of soup I've ever had."

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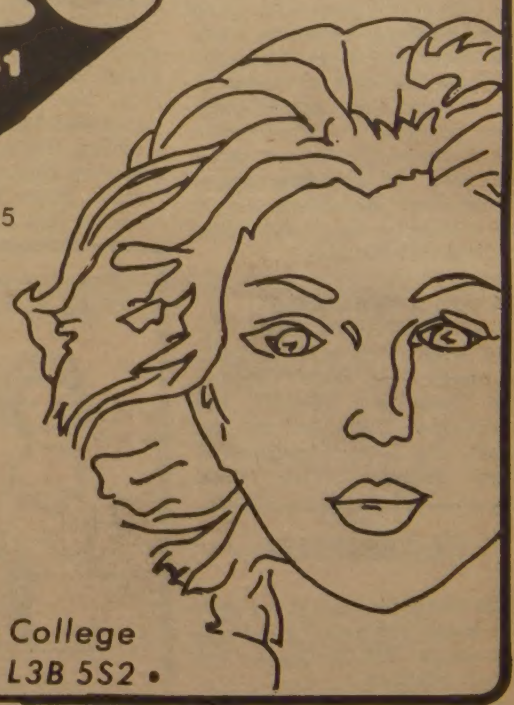
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